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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: T. ENDO et al.
Serial No.: 09/940,982
Filed: August 29, 2001
For: TAMPER RESISTANCE DEVICE
Group: 2187
Examiner: Z. Davis

REPLY

MS AF
Commissioner for Patents
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October 16, 2006

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 8, 2006, setting a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on August 8, 2006, reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections and allowance of the present application are respectfully requested in light of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Specification and Abstract begin on page 2.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 4.

Remarks are included following the amendments.

A Terminal Disclaimer is attached hereto.